

COUNCIL ON AGING MINUTES DECEMBER 14, 2016

Present: Council on Aging Members: Ernie Cornelssen, Irving Goldberg, Jean Noussee, David Egel, Marijo Gorney, Council on Aging Director Lynne Waterman and Outreach Coordinator Darlene Perkins.

Absent: Norah McCormick, Virginia McIntyre, Mary Gaffney, Jack Jordan

Chairman Ernie Cornelssen opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 9, 2016

Motion: Irving Goldberg moved to approve the minutes of November 9, 2016, seconded by David Egel Vote 5-0

Public Comments

COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Lynne Waterman distributed her report for the month of November. The Director highlighted she met with several leaders of various ongoing activities. She met with the Activity Coordinator and planned several programs for the new year. The Director met with staff from a local home care agency to discuss future presentations and programs.

The Director stated there were no issues with the van. She noted the van transported several seniors to the polls to vote. The Director and Outreach Coordinator met with staff from the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority to discuss the unmet transportation needs of Mashpee seniors.

The Director noted that the alarm, fire sprinkler system and kitchen stove were inspected and that all of the building fire extinguishers were replaced.

The Director reported that the COA staff attended a MIIA training. Also, several volunteers attended an educational training offered by the Senior Center.

The Director reviewed a list of several meetings she attended.

The Director worked with the Human Services Director to help draft a letter on a proposed future program and met with town management to review the proposed Council on Aging FY 2018 budget. She attended a training sponsored by Massachusetts Councils on Aging.

The Director noted her goals are to begin property tax work off placements, begin preparing annual town report and assist with holiday gift delivery and holiday events.

Motion: David Goldberg moved to accept the Director's report, seconded by Irving Goldberg. Vote unanimous 5-0

TREASURER'S REPORT

Director Waterman distributed the budget report for the month of November and reviewed the numbers with the members.

Motion: Irving Goldberg moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Jean Nousse. Vote unanimous 5 -0

OUTREACH COORDINATOR'S REPORT

The Outreach Coordinator distributed her report for the month of November. The Outreach Coordinator had two home visits. She noted several items she dealt with: hoarding issues, fuel assistance applications, transportation, finding medical equipment, information on homecare for parents, patients with terminal illnesses, making referrals to other agencies for in homecare and financial needs.

The Outreach Coordinator met with the domestic violence officer from Mashpee Police Department to discuss community home visits to start December 15 which is new program to work to bring resources to seniors in their homes. The Outreach Coordinator and the Domestic Violence officer made a video being shown on Mashpee TV to inform Mashpee seniors of this new program.

The Outreach Coordinator meets monthly with volunteers. Six Mashpee residents turned 90 and older during the month and received flowers delivered by Council on Aging volunteers. The Outreach Coordinator attended the Alzheimer's and Dementia annual conference.

She reviewed the monthly meetings she attended: VNA Community Nurse, Independence House Counselor, and met with the Director and Activities Coordinator to discuss ideas for new programs to offer this spring.

The Outreach Coordinated stated that she is looking for volunteers to help deliver the holiday gifts.

Motion: Irving Goldberg moved to approve the Outreach Coordinator report, seconded by Jean Nousse. Vote unanimous 5-0

Monthly Activity Coordinator Report

The Director distributed the Activity Coordinator Report and reviewed several activities that were held in November which included job seekers employment group, a movie discussion series, memory screenings, and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority presentation.

The Chair suggested discussing the support team for the Activity Coordinator at the next meeting.

Motion: David Egel moved to accept the Activity Coordinator Report, seconded by Jean Nousse. Vote unanimous 5-0

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT

Director Waterman distributed and reviewed the Volunteer Coordinator report for November. Five new volunteers enrolled for the month. The Volunteer training was well received. The gift delivery preparations have begun for the gift wrapping and deliveries for the holidays.

Motion: David Egel moved to accept the Volunteer Coordinator Report, seconded by Irving Goldberg. Vote unanimous 5-0

Old Business

The Director noted the interviews for the property tax work off candidates will be held in early January.

New Business

None

Motion: David Egel moved to adjourn, seconded by Jean Nousse. Vote unanimous. 5-0

Meeting adjourned 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy Daigneault, Recording Secretary